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Different condom, same problem

University to keep LifeStyles

By **BRIAN HUCHEL**
Campus editor

Condoms sold in the residence hall vending machines are not the same as those that were tested in a study done by a consumer magazine.

The condom is actually another version of the same brand that is potentially not as strong when stretched as the one that failed the test.

A Consumer Reports magazine test said in March 1989 that LifeStyles Extra Strength with Nonoxynol-9 condoms were "grossly defective." They were found to have a projected maximum failure rate of more than 10 percent.

The condoms in the university vending machines are LifeStyles Spermicidally Lubricated with Nonoxynol-9 condom. These are not as strong as the extra-strength condoms when they are stretched, said Dave Paradise, president of Paradise Marketing, which works with the LifeStyles company.

"(The extra strength with

nonoxynol-9 condom) has a stronger memory," Paradise said, meaning the condom goes back to its original shape better.

"(The spermicidally lubricated with nonoxynol-9 condom) has a slower memory," Paradise said.

Paradise also said both condom types have the same thickness.

The university has decided to keep the condoms in the vending machines. Lou Hencken, vice president for student affairs, said some research should be done to check on the condoms.

"We should (check the latest Food and Drug Administration studies)," Hencken said. "Everything we do we want to be sure is quality."

Hencken said the university asked Cater-Vend, Inc. to look for another condom source as a precaution in case the condom quality was questionable.

Student leaders said they were concerned about the possibility of a high failure rate.

Jennifer Szemiot, president of the Residence Hall Association, said

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Omission of past race relations 'no accident'

By **JANICE HUNT**
Staff writer

Members of black campus organizations think the university's omission of past negative race relations in a commemorative book is no accident.

The Centennial Book was put together as part of Eastern's Centennial Celebration to provide a look at Eastern's history since its founding in 1895. However, the current draft of an article about race relations omits some tense racial events that were originally part of the text.

Some of the omitted items included the problems in naming the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union, and a Homecoming controversy in 1973

that saw the black queen lose her crown and the university president, after protests by black groups, proclaim there would be no queen that year.

The omission of the events has some students concerned the university does not want to live up to its racially-charged past.

"It's another attempt to deny that Eastern has had any racial problems," said Yolanda Williams, president of the Black Greek Council.

"Eastern has this so-called mission of being culturally diverse, but denying that there is a problem causes them to cancel each other out," Williams said.

Centennial coordinator Bobbie Hilke said there have been no

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CHET PIOTROWSKI/Staff photographer

AIDS victims Prudie Brungard and Jim Troester talk about their experiences with the disease in Lawson Hall lobby Wednesday night as part of AIDS Awareness Week.

AIDS victims: Your life does not end with HIV

By **KAREN WOLDEN**
Activities editor

Being diagnosed HIV positive doesn't mean life is over.

That was the message AIDS victims Jim Troester and Prudie Brungard delivered at "My Life with AIDS" Wednesday night in Lawson Hall Lobby.

"My name is Jim, I'm 35, 5 feet 5-and-a-half inches tall, bald, and I have AIDS," said Troester as he began the lecture, which was part of AIDS Awareness Week. "It's important that you go away tonight with your questions answered."

Troester and Brungard, both from

St. Louis, spoke to about 20 people for two hours, addressing several issues ranging from discrimination to the dozens of drugs they have taken since they became sick.

Troester tested positive for the HIV virus in 1991. Brungard was diagnosed in 1986. After initial stages of denial and depression, both chose to use their disease as a way to reach out and educate the public.

After quitting her job as a labor and delivery nurse, Brungard began a job doing research on prenatal genetics. Telling her co-workers of her disease was a trying decision, she said.

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House Committee votes to restructure universities

SPRINGFIELD (AP) — House Republicans pushed ahead Wednesday with a proposal to restructure higher education that would eliminate the board that governs Eastern.

The House Higher Education Committee voted to abolish the Board of Regents, the Board of Governors and to turn Sangamon State Uni-

• Lawmakers may not be able to hand out state scholarships under bill. **Page 3A.**

versity into a campus of the University of Illinois.

The two boards set policy and secure funds for eight universities. The legislation

calls for the governor to appoint a seven-member board for each university, except for Sangamon State, which would fall under the

University of Illinois' Board of Trustees.

The Board of Governors oversees Eastern, Western Illinois, Northeastern Illinois, Chicago State and Governors State universities.

Lt. Gov. Bob Kustra, a proponent of restructuring, said the reorganization would make administrators more responsive to students and

staff.

"In traveling across the state of Illinois, I'm always struck by how difficult it is to find easy access to those who govern," Kustra said. "All you have to do is look at schools in the private sector, each of which has a board of trustees to decide public policy for

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Event to inform computer majors of job field

By **PATRICIA RODRIGUEZ**
Staff writer

Eastern's first Computer Management Information Day will be held Thursday to inform computer management majors and other students on the availability of diverse career opportunities in that field.

The computer and operations management department and the Data Processing Management

Association are co-sponsoring the event.

The event will take place in Lumpkin Hall Room 122. Two sessions will be offered, the first at 2 p.m. and the second at 3:30 p.m. Both sessions are free.

The event is open to students as part of an effort to inform them on the availability of diverse career paths, Susan Kirk, president of the student chapter of the Data Pro-

cessing Management Association, said.

"Our target are students with pre-business majors and undeclared majors," she said.

Information offered will consist of panel discussions, speeches and personal experiences of computer management professors, recruiters and Eastern graduates, Kirk said.

"Alumni will be there speaking about their experiences at Eastern

and in the job market," Kirk said. "We hope to give students information for a better, more informed decision."

The seminar is also open to community college advisers and high school guidance counselors, Kirk said.

Information on various professional and student computer management organizations will also be offered at the event.

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Condom

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she never expected to see those kind of results.

"I was surprised (by the results)," Szemiot said. "That's something that is supposed to be safe, but it's not."

Condoms were first placed in Eastern's residence hall vending machines in August 1993 after several requests were made by students. The RHA originally gave its support to the decision to sell condoms in the residence halls.

Glenn Fundator, Student Government vice president of public affairs, said he thinks something should be done about the possible problems the condoms present.

"I don't care if it is only one person every weekend, the last thing needed is more teen pregnancies," Fundator said.

Paradise said he did not trust the results of the study, adding a company is always trying to improve its product.

"A product produced in 1989 is not the same as a product produced today," Paradise said.

The 1989 extra strength condoms were tested using two different methods. In one method the condoms were filled with water. The extra strength condoms were found to sometimes develop bulges, indicating thin spots in the skin.

In another test, the condoms were inflated until they burst.

While the Extra Strength with Nonoxynol-9 condoms failed the test, the LifeStyles Extra Strength Lubricated condoms finished near the top of the list with a projected failure rate of less than 1.5 percent.

Neither of these condoms are the ones being distributed, which is not an Extra Strength brand.

"I question (the magazine's) methodology," said Paradise, who also indicated the LifeStyles Company uses the water and air burst tests in their own studies. "They took two condoms and came up with very different results. It is more likely they didn't test a significant enough batch."

Centennial

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changes in the rough draft since the report about the article last week. But Hilke stressed the document is a rough draft and is subject to change.

Other student leaders said Eastern was hiding the information in order to preserve its image.

"I think they're just trying to make the school look more favorable to minority students," said Tasha Johnson, president of Delta Sigma Theta sorority.

However, Johnson said by not telling the full story, Eastern actually hurts its image: "It makes (Eastern) look guilty if they hide information," she said.

Black Student Union vice president Marlo Davis also said the school is trying to protect its image.

"They're projecting what they want to project," Davis said, adding that the information wouldn't hurt Eastern's image because it is about past events, not current ones.

Williams said the omission of the events "could be a mistake," but said she thinks it is another attempt to hide issues.

"Out of sight, out of mind," Williams said.

BSU member Lachone Pitchford said she understands why the university would want to omit the information, but said it still isn't justified.

"In a book such as that, you want to glorify Eastern," Pitchford said. "But in that time period, the civil rights movement was going on everywhere, so don't act like Eastern didn't have its problems, because it did."

Pitchford said the information should be included because "it shows that Eastern has come a long way, but it also shows that Eastern has a long way to go" as far as race relations are concerned.

The book, which is made up of different excerpts and contributions from members of the university, explained Eastern's racial past as "proceeding tolerably enough..."

"(Black students) presence tested the attitudes of the University and the town of Charleston. (There were six black students on campus in 1949-50, in 1994 there were 748.) While the test was passed, it was not passed with distinction; given the 'regional' character of the school, there is little reason to wonder why it was not."

Bill

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that campus."

Northern Illinois University President John La Tourette said local boards will forge tighter bonds with local businesses and residents and boost fund raising.

Sangamon State President Naomi Lynn said she was surprised how quickly the legislation, which had bipartisan support, moved through committee. She believes the plan will help the small Springfield university attract faculty and students.

Rep. Mike Weaver, R-Ashmore, was among the first legislators to propose doing away with the board in a bill first introduced in March 1991. The Higher

Education Committee approved a gutted version of the bill in April 1992. It was never considered by the full House.

Weaver has reintroduced the bill several times since then, but Democrats kept the legislation from reaching the floor.

Possible elimination of the board has been one of the most contentious issues in Illinois higher education since the proposal was suggested.

Board officials and some university administrators have defended the board, saying it serves as an effective oversight body. Some faculty and students have complained the boards are too far removed from individual schools to govern their campuses.

AIDS

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"There was nothing I could compare it to in life so people would understand," she said. "I eventually had to tell them that I was HIV positive because my performance was slipping. When I did tell them, they were wonderful."

Brungard could recall only one instance in which she fell victim to discrimination. People are overwhelmingly more supportive than discriminative, Brungard and Troester agreed.

Brungard told of the time she decided to tell a friend and roommate of her disease shortly after moving in

and forming a strong friendship with her.

"Finally one day I told her I was HIV positive," she said. "She moved out within a week. It was her apartment."

Brungard or Troester repeatedly have battled common illnesses such as diarrhea, insomnia and pneumonia.

"I can't go to work, and I'm tired all the time," Brungard said. "I brought my own water because there's stuff in the water that could make me seriously ill or kill me."

- Staff Writer Jennifer Stanger contributed to this report.

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Senate speech stresses service for student body

By HEIDI KEIBLER
and SCOTT BOEHMER
Staff writers

Student Body President Blake Wood stressed the importance of delivering quality service to the student body Wednesday in his State of the University address.

"Our basic job is to extend customer service and make students a higher priority," Wood said. "We can do this by putting out more legislation, developing more projects and focusing on reinforcing a positive image with the Charleston community."

Wood said the four areas he would like the Student Senate to improve are "the university in general, student academic services, student support services and Student Government."

He named several issues he would like the senate to tackle, including improving funding for disability services, expanding library services and sponsoring a referendum mandating a class attendance policy.

He said the senate should also insist that all textbooks used in required courses be made available through the Textbook Rental Service at no rental charge.

"Students are signing up for courses and then finding out they have to buy more textbooks for the course," he said. "Students shouldn't have to go out and buy extra books. We should be able to rent them, and rental fees shouldn't increase."

Wood said he would also like the senate to establish an alternative to parking tickets on campus.

"Nobody likes to walk out of a building and see a ticket on their car," he said. "Something needs to be done other than getting a ticket when really you're paying to be here. It's so ridiculous."

Wood said the senate has proposed some good ideas this semester, such as building a parking garage and installing drinking water machines in residence halls.

"I think the improvement of the quality of water would help Eastern be a more attractive higher education institution," he said.

Several senate members approved of Wood's speech and said he has several good suggestions.

"Mr. Wood's really on the ball," said senate member Trevor Griffin. "I'm happy with every one of his ideas."

Bill may put end legislators' perk

SPRINGFIELD (AP) – State lawmakers would give up a longtime perk that lets them hand out state scholarships freely and often in secret under a bill sent Wednesday to the full Senate.

"It just seems to me that the General Assembly shouldn't be in this business," said Sen. Harry "Babe" Woodyard, R-Christman.

The Senate Executive Committee voted 8-5 to abolish the \$4.2 million annual program that has let lawmakers waive tuition at Illinois' public universities since 1905. The measure now goes to the full Senate.

Under the program, each of the state's 177 lawmakers can dole out two four-year

tuition waivers each year. One is for a student attending the University of Illinois and the other for a student at another state school.

Woodyard's proposal, which had stalled twice before, would no longer let lawmakers award legislative scholarships after June 1, 1996.

Woodyard contended the program sometimes has been abused, even saying a few years ago a lawmaker actually had reserved a scholarship in the name of his dog.

But Sen. Kenneth Hall, D-East St. Louis, argued the program should stay intact. Hall maintained many doctors now in the state got through school with the help of tuition waivers.

Local lawmakers downplay Amtrak services bill

By TRAVIS SPENCER
City editor

Local lawmakers are not concerned about a new bill that would eliminate Amtrak services over the next four years.

Rep. Joel Hefley, R-Colo., is sponsoring a bill to eliminate Amtrak services by 1999. Brian Reardon, a spokesperson for Hefley, said Amtrak is a poor way to utilize federal subsidies.

"It's not a good use for tax payers money," Reardon said from his office in Washington, D.C. "Amtrak was created 25 years ago as a private corporation, and now tax payers have placed \$15 billion in subsidies into Amtrak. Another \$1 billion of subsidies will be put in this year."

Under Hefley's bill, Congress would completely privatize Amtrak, phase out the federal subsidies over a four-year period and allow the railway to "determine where, how and when it should provide intercity rail passenger service, without government interference."

There is an Amtrak station in Mattoon which offers rail service to the rest of Illinois, among other places.

But total elimination of Amtrak services is considered to be very unlikely, said Dave Stricklin, spokesperson for Rep. Glen Poshard, D-Marion. However, he said an "honest look at reducing some of the funds" is a possibility.

Poshard, who is a member of the House of Representative's Transportation Committee, opposes total elimination, Stricklin said.

"Cuts are likely to happen in government agencies," he said. "As members of the Transportation Committee, we'll be looking close at the issue. We know it's a very useful mode of transportation for Eastern students."

Mattoon Mayor Wanda Ferguson said the Mattoon Amtrak station, 1718 Broadway Ave., is widely used throughout the county.

"It is very important to the entire area, not just



JON COX/Staff photographer
Pat Carl (left), Brittany Vorreyer and Gina Givens, Mattoon residents, comprised half of the people boarding the train to Chicago Wednesday.

Mattoon," Ferguson said. "Eastern students use Amtrak along with the neighboring towns."

Ferguson said she doesn't foresee the Mattoon Amtrak station closing if there were cutbacks. She said it would be foolish to close a station that pays for itself and is widely used.

"When I come home from Chicago with my husband, we always see a lot of students getting off at the Mattoon station."

The Mattoon station's ticket booth was temporarily closed last year because of national Amtrak cutbacks. Illinois and U.S. legislators were able to re-open the

facility.

Reardon said the Railroad subcommittee hearings are scheduled for Tuesday to discuss the railway's funding.

David Carle, spokesman for Sen. Paul Simon, said it is too early to worry about Amtrak services being eliminated. He said Simon will support Amtrak through the discussions.

"He's been a leader to keep Amtrak a national railway for many years," Carle said. "Simon is the author of legislation to create a St. Louis to Chicago high speed corridor for Amtrak's use."

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1995

Black History Month more than activities

Discussion of race is always rare. But if there's any month in which that can change, it's Black History Month.

The pageantry, events and celebration of the month should not overtake the discussion and growth that can occur. The two should walk hand in hand and serve as a starting point for racial discussion and diversity.

This year's theme, "An African-American Collage," includes contemporary entertainment and issues mixed with important speakers and cultural exhibits. One play addresses the slow mental and physical death of the black male, another event will encourage students to "Claim the Dream," and there are African art and literature exhibits planned for the month.

All these are vital in understanding, not only the black community at Eastern, but the contemporary African-American culture in the United States.

Everyone's top priority should be attending the events and, especially in instances such as the play about black men, pondering the message the event sends. Students should not be afraid to talk about race, but instead be excited to learn more about contemporary black culture.

The Daily Eastern News will again sponsor the annual Black History Month Essay Contest. This year's theme, "What Legacy Should We Leave?" asks students to describe what kind of future they want to mold, and what kind of racial climate they want to leave for their children.

Anyone interested in joining the debate on race relations and our future should write in.

The News is also running a series on race relations, "A Separate Peace," throughout the month in the hope of contributing to racial discourse.

But the real contributors are the everyday students and the people who usually don't think or deal with racial issues as much as they should. Everyone should get involved in the hope of making Eastern a more diverse campus and racially receptive campus.

TODAY'S QUOTE

If a man hasn't discovered something that he will die for, he isn't fit to live.

Martin Luther King Jr.

Morality aside, Bickers had a good idea

As far as the majority of students know, the social atmosphere at Eastern is comprised of a single, yet formidable, item of entertainment – the glorious bar scene.

Hundreds of students every night venture into the dense and mystical fog of the winter night, battling the cold while traveling to their favorite night spot.

The scene is usually the same – a group of friends overtake a booth in their favorite bar and take turns buying rounds at the table. There is no shame in it. It is all in good fun and is usually done with restraint and caution.

However a person spends his or her weekend, it cannot be doubted that the nightlife of this metropolis we call Charleston has turned into bar owners taking a who-can-top-who mentality in becoming the primary entertainment of an otherwise monotonous life of drinking, humiliation and, when you get right down to it, quite a bit of fun.

Panther's Lounge owner Mike Bickers, being the entrepreneur that he is, recognized this potentially monotonous social scene and made an attempt to rectify the problem.

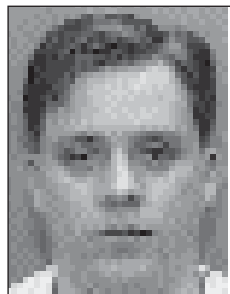
Because Bickers has to make a living for himself, he decided to have topless exotic dancers and opened the bar to patrons over the age of 18. His liquor license is suspended until Feb. 25.

This exciting step into the '90s was terminated after Charleston's men in blue shut down Panther's because several patrons were found to have brought in alcohol.

Although I applaud Bickers' attempt to shed new light (as well as clothing) onto Eastern's somewhat bland nightlife, I have to ask myself when will local bar owners learn that the city is jumping with anticipation to find a way to shut down the local bar scene?

I have to wonder if the city had planned ahead of time to run a compliance check on Panther's or if they and Mayor Dan Cougill could not stand the fact that Bickers had managed to get around their attempts to shut his business down.

It has become apparent that more than just the community was upset by Bickers' business move, but



Dave Hosick

"Despite the alcohol being involved at Panther's, having topless dancers is quite legal."

female dancers were forced by gunpoint to "shake their moneymakers" at the young, impressionable audience and, finally, without attempts such as this to give life to our weekend entertainment scene, students will be robbed of the chance to experience what "real" college towns have to offer their student body.

That is not even mentioning the fact that we live in a capitalist society which gives the right to any citizen to conduct legal business – yes, even stripping – in order to support his or her livelihood.

Also, I wonder if the many feminists who are so quick to criticize their peers, actually realize the amount of money there is to be made in the exotic dancing business.

Having heard from several acquaintances – not that I would ever go myself – strippers can make anywhere from \$500 to \$1,500 a night. Call me crazy, but if there was a market for short and dumpy men who would disrobe to the beckoning of crowds of women, it wouldn't take a second thought.

The fact of the matter is that students are adults – or at least we should act as if we are – and can decide what to do in our social life. If men, or even women for that matter, want to spend their hard-earned money by stuffing it in the G-string of a bare-fleshed specimen, then the question I ask is why is it anyone's business except their own?

So, the request I have of the campus is to not give in to these attempts to make us all hermits on weekends and continue to express our adulthood in any manner we – and the law – sees fit.

– Dave Hosick is administration editor and a guest columnist for The Daily Eastern News.



Student volunteers should be applauded by Eastern, News

Dear editor:

On Jan. 26, an article titled "Students help out in flood" appeared in The Daily Eastern News. I applaud your efforts in giving volunteer work the credit it deserves, but the article was from the Associated Press and about Southern Illinois students.

Why did you look for an article from across the street, when these same things (the article talked about) are happening in your own backyard?

Eastern has a very good volunteer program sponsored by the Student Volunteer Center. Over Thanksgiving Break, five students spent five days in Hull helping rehabilitate houses

Your turn

damaged during the floods of 1993.

And on the weekend of Jan. 27-29, 15 students went back to Hull to assist with more home restoration. During the fall semester, approximately 150 students contributed more than 2,300 hours to community service projects through the Student Volunteer Center, and this semester, a possible 100 students are going to take an alternative Spring Break.

These alternative trips will take students all over the United States to help with issues like HIV/AIDS awareness, environmental problems, homelessness, Habitat for Humanity and many others.

So, when you're looking for stories to run on anything having to do with volunteering, look out the back

door before you walk out the front.

Jason Anderson

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Letters should be less than 350 words. For the letter to be printed, the name of the author, in addition to the author's address and telephone number, must be included. If necessary, letters will be edited according to length and space at the discretion of the edit page editor or editor in chief.

Anonymous letters will not be printed.

If a letter has more than three authors, only the names of the first three will be printed.

Joley retires after 25 years

By ERIC BECKER
Staff writer

The dean of the College of Education and Professional Studies will retire this month after 13 years in the position.

Charles Joley said he will retire on Feb. 15 to spend more time traveling and developing a small farm.

Joley said he is stepping down from the dean's position because it is time for a new dean with new ideas to take over.

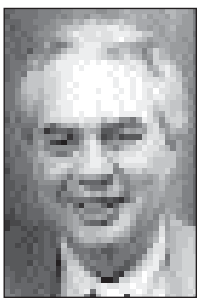
"I've been at this job a while, and I think it's time for a new, energetic person to take this position," Joley said. "I am hopeful that the next dean can

carry forward the things that we have started.

Joley has spent the past 25 years at Eastern.

Ronald Leathers, currently the assistant dean, will serve as acting dean until the position is filled by Aug. 15. Leathers said Joley's leadership and competence will be missed.

"We have always maintained an excellent working relationship," Leathers said. "During our 12-year working relation-



Charles Joley

ship, we have approached our positions like a leadership team where we each benefited off the strengths and abilities of the other."

Joley said he will miss working with the staff in his department.

"It has been a privilege to work with the tremendous people in the education and professional studies department," Joley said. "I will miss the daily high in working with these people."

A reception will be held for Joley from 2-4 p.m. Feb. 14 in the 1895 Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. All faculty, staff and students are invited.

Eastern faculty question BOG's effectiveness in representation

By DAVE HOSICK
Administration editor

Eastern faculty have a decidedly negative perception of the Board of Governors and question whether the board effectively represents the university in the state Legislature, a study shows.

A faculty survey completed in 1992-93 indicated "a disturbingly negative perception of the (BOG's) functions relative to this campus," according to a university self-study that was recently released.

A primary concern among faculty was the perceived lack of effective representation of Eastern's campus before the Illinois Board of Higher Education and the General Assembly.

The board's "effectiveness is undercut by the great diversity of student population, program structure and missions of the institutions it serves," the study stated.

The BOG is the governing body for Eastern, Western Illinois, Northeastern Illinois, Chicago State and Governors State universities.

BOG spokeswoman Michelle Brazell was unavailable for comment Wednesday.

The study, completed in August 1994, was conducted in preparation for a visit next week by

a nine-member team from the North Central Association, one of six national organizations responsible for accrediting state universities.

Jill Nilsen, special assistant to the president, said the study's statement is not entirely accurate because the university has made strides in improving its relationship with the BOG.

"My perception is that the university has worked in cooperation with the board and its staff on legislative issues and issues concerning the IBHE," Nilsen said.

"The university has seen its ability to impact legislative decisions in the last two years due to our lobbying efforts, strategic planning and the leadership of President (David) Jorns," she said.

Because the BOG deals with five universities, sometimes the problems of one institution take precedence over others when negotiating with the IBHE, Nilsen said.

"Each of the five universities have had experiences when the BOG sometimes places the needs of one campus over the others," Nilsen said. "I imagine that Eastern faculty are upset when we do not get top priority."

Deb Smitley, associate director of public affairs for the IBHE, said she thinks the BOG has represented its institutions efficiently.

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Career fair draws students, employers

By REAGAN BRANHAM
Staff writer

Students flocked to the spring Career Day Job Fair Wednesday to talk to prospective employers.

Students could speak with more than 110 different employers for full-time jobs, internships or summer positions, said Warren Kistner from the Career Planning and Placement Center.

Employers set up displays in both ballrooms of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Kistner said the job fair is "very successful because when you send a resume in the mail, there is lots of paperwork, and you don't get as much attention."

The job fair allows employers to "pre-screen" applicants and gives students a chance to talk face to face



JOHN COX/Staff photographer
Jim Kotowski (right) of Anderson Camps interviews Brad Singer (left), a senior psychology major, for a summer job as a counselor in the University Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Wednesday afternoon.

with employers, Kistner said. Each recruiter handles the job fair differently, Kistner said. Some talk for just a few minutes, while others move to a conference room for a possible interview.

At previous job fairs, 600 to 700 students have attended the event, Kistner said.

Attendance is higher, sometimes closer to 1,000, in the spring because of graduation in the upcoming months.

Mike Kruger, a senior history and psychology major, attended the fair but did not find much in his interests.

"There's not much here for non-business majors, unless you want to find a job in sales," Kruger said.

Bob Story of the Illinois Department of Employment Security said he had spoken with about three dozen students by noon.

The department uses a nationwide job bank to help students find employment, Story said.

Black History Month events scheduled

Annual February celebration will feature 20 campus activities

By KAREN WOLDEN
Activities editor

About 20 events are scheduled for this year's Black History Month, including a variety of plays, speakers, movies and panels and the 19th annual Miss Black EIU Pageant.

February's events for "An African-American Collage" start at 2 p.m. Sunday with the fifth annual "African-American Read-in Chain." Students, faculty and community members are invited to meet in the Paris Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union and share books by African-American authors.

The play "Our Black Men Are Dying and No One Seems to Care" will be performed at 5 p.m. Sunday in the Grand Ballroom of the Union. The play will attempt to capture the contemporary struggles black men endure on their journey into the next century.

Admission is \$3 for students and

\$5 for the public.

Arguably the largest event of the month, the Miss Black EIU Pageant will be held at 7 p.m. Feb. 25 in the Grand Ballroom. LaChone Pitchford, a junior speech communication disorders and sciences major; Yolanda Williams, a senior sociology Afro-American studies major; and Chapel Berry, a freshman pre-physical therapy major are competing this year.

Contestants will be judged on categories designed to express African-American culture. Contestants will have to create and wear an African-American dress and speak on the subject "What my heritage means to me," among other things.

Admission is \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door.

Other events for the month include:

- "Claim the Dream," a one-woman show by playwright, director, choreographer and producer Dianne Dixon at 8 p.m. Tuesday in the Grand Ballroom. Dixon's performance will focus on freedom, justice and equality among African Americans.

Admission is \$1 for students and \$3 for the public.

- Roslyn Walker, curator of the

National Museum of African Art in the Smithsonian Institution, will present a slide show and lecture at 7 p.m. Feb. 16 in the Tarble Arts Center.

- The third annual "Heritage Dinner" will feature a lecture by Parkland College President Zelema Harris on black leadership at 6 p.m. Feb. 17 in the Grand Ballroom. The soul food dinner is open to the public and costs \$11 for the public, \$8 for students and \$5 for children 10 and under.

For more information call Dennis Jones at 581-6458.

- A panel discussion, "The College Experience and The Transition to the Work Place," at 7 p.m. Feb. 21 in Lumpkin Hall Room 122. Eastern students and graduates will discuss how their college experiences have prepared them for their careers.

- Children's book publishers Deborah Chocolate and Vesta Rundle will be guest lecturers at a children's literature display at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23 in the Tarble Arts Center.

- A series of lectures examining the influence of African Americans on different dance styles from 7 to 11 p.m. Friday, Feb. 24 in the Grand Ballroom.

Black history contest starts

The Daily Eastern News and several local businesses will sponsor this year's Black History Month Essay Contest.

"What Legacy Should We Leave?" is the theme of the annual contest. The deadline for submitting essays is Feb. 17, and winners will be honored at the Miss Black EIU Pageant on Feb. 25.

Winning essays will be published in The Daily Eastern News.

"We thought the subject was topical because we really need to examine what kind of future we are shaping when it comes to race relations," said Chris Seper, editor in chief. "Hopefully, students will be able to illustrate their vision for the future."

Any Eastern students who do not work at Student Publications are eligible to submit entries. Essays may be dropped off at the newspaper offices in the North Gym of Buzzard Building or mailed to Black History Month Essay Contest, The Daily Eastern News, 127 Buzzard Building.

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Baseball owners shift stance in newest offer

WASHINGTON (AP) – Facing growing political pressure to end the baseball strike, owners made a major shift Wednesday when they abandoned their salary cap proposal for a luxury tax.

The new offer, made as talks resumed after a 40-day break, moved the owners off their central demand to reduce player salaries to 50 percent of revenue.

While the owners had offered two luxury tax plans in November and December, those plans would have worked as caps since both contained escalators that would have raised the tax rates without limit until the players' share of revenue declined from 58 percent to 50 percent.

Union officials said the size of the luxury tax in Wednesday's offer was unacceptable. But the structure could lead to an agreement if owners are willing to substantially reduce the tax

rates.

"By removing the cost-certainty requirement, we have removed the chief objection expressed by players," said Boston Red Sox chief executive officer John Harrington, the owners' lead negotiator. "Our proposal tracks much of the framework first offered by the union."

President Clinton, who has set a Monday deadline for progress, continued to pour on pressure, calling the renewed bargaining a "last process." Union head Donald Fehr was muted publicly in his response to the proposal, saying his side needed to analyze it overnight. Two union officials, speaking on the condition they not be identified, said the plan was unacceptable.

"It looks similar to the proposal given earlier," free agent outfielder Brett Butler said.

Away from the bargaining table,

players mounted a public relations offensive, filling a hotel "war" room with fax machines and phones to get their point of view out. Players also held a party for about 25 Senators and 75 Congressmen at – appropriately enough – Union Station, the redeveloped train depot near Capitol Hill.

About two dozen players spent the day lobbying for a repeal of the owners' antitrust exemption. The union and its consultants bought at least 600 baseballs for 50 players to sign and give away at the party. The players included Cecil Fielder, Don Mattingly and Dave Winfield. There was a Dixieland band and hot dog stands.

"To me, I'm still in awe of baseball players. I meet heads of state, but I'm not as impressed as when I meet ballplayers," said Rep. Elliot Engel, D-N.Y.

The owners' plan proposes a two-tiered tax: 75 percent on the amount of payrolls between \$35 million and \$42 million and 100 percent on the amount over \$42 million.

The Detroit Tigers, under the owners' method of calculation, had the top 1994 payroll at \$56,780,020. This plan, if fully implemented in 1994, would have cost them an additional tax of more than \$20 million.

In the union's last plan, offered Dec. 22, players proposed a tax of 10 percent on payrolls that exceeded 130 percent of the average (\$52.9 million) and a 25 percent tax on the amount above 160 percent of the average (\$61.1 million.) Under that plan, only three teams would have reached the 130 percent level, raising a total of just \$586,000 in tax. No team would have reached the highest level.

Men

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about this Racer team is their ability to shoot the three-pointer – and shoot it accurately.

Overall, the team is hitting on 40 percent of its three-pointers with Wright (46 percent) and Powell (44 percent) leading the charge.

In Monday's come from behind win over Buffalo, Samuels did not substitute in the second half, but said he would like to get back to a "more normal game" tonight.

"We'd like to get more substitutions and try and play more players," Samuels said. "None of them (Panthers) have to be worried about fatigue now but we have to worry about fatigue setting in over the weekend – we've got Saturday and Monday games coming up."

Samuels said he wasn't sure if he would go

with the three-guard lineup or if he'll use three forwards. He said either lineup can be successful.

"I think we can play both combinations right now," said Samuels, "but we have to work to play both of those combinations well."

Michael Slaughter, who played 36 minutes on Monday, seems to be recovering from a foot injury but he did not practice on Tuesday. According to Samuels, there is some soreness in Slaughter's foot but there was no swelling.

"There's no indication that there's any further damage. In fact, we continue to hope he's getting better," Samuels said.

After tonight's game, the Panthers return to Lantz for two straight games. Saturday, Western Illinois comes to Charleston and on Monday the Panthers face Missouri-Kansas City.

Bennett, Illini beat Iowa

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) – Robert Bennett had dunked on Iowa all night, until his last shot.

Bennett, who broke loose for at least six dunks while tying his career-high of 18 points, nailed a 10-foot jumper with 37 seconds remaining to help defeat Iowa 79-74 and snap a three-game losing streak.

"It was just a case of me stepping back and hitting the shot," Bennett said. "That's one of the things I need to do."

Lou Henson, who earned

his 400th career win as the Illini coach against 205 losses, said center Shelly Clark wasn't at full strength because of the flu and Bennett plugged the gap. Clark finished with just four points, nearly eight under his average.

"Robert did a good job in there. He was sharp. It's one of the best games he's had," Henson said. "He really carried us."

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Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



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BY GARRY TRUDEAU



Average team GPA at 2.85

Eastern athletes were doing more than working their muscles last semester; they were exercising their brains, and not many of them could be considered wimpy in that category.

The average grade point average for all the Panther and Lady Panther teams was 2.85 last semester, with eight of the 17 teams earning GPAs above 3.0.

Volleyball led all teams with a 3.46 GPA, while at the same time they clinched the Mid-Continent Conference's Western Division. Softball was the next highest with a 3.19.

The others receiving GPAs over 3.0 were women's tennis (3.15), women's basketball (3.14), women's swimming (3.10), men's cross country (3.05), women's cross country (3.04) and men's tennis (3.04).

The volleyball squad also has the highest cumulative GPA with a 3.28. Four other Eastern athletic teams have cumulative GPAs over 3.0: women's basketball (3.20), softball (3.16), men's basketball (3.11) and women's swimming (3.06).

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Notebook

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and I just want to keep focusing on that - forget about the last couple of years and start a winning tradition here."

Eastern has begun a new winning tradition this year by playing aggressive defense and by winning at home. Its defense has held opponents to just under 60 points a game, and its record

in Lantz Gym is 6-2. And five of its remaining nine games will be played in Lantz against conference opponents.

• Eastern's team defense is tops in the Mid-Con, and there might be one main reason why. The Lady Panthers are holding their opponents to a cold 37 percent in field goals and a mere 29 percent from the three-point line.

And even though the off-

ense has sputtered at times, as a team Eastern is hitting its shots 42 percent of the time. Eastern's team offense is averaging 63 points per game, which indicates a 63-59 average margin of victory.

Indeed, Eastern hasn't been involved in too many blowouts, which Klein attributes to the team defense. In its wins, it has won by an average of seven points and in its losses, nine points.

Manker

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school's male-to-female athlete ratios.

Now, the OCR appears on the brink of either softening its stance on football and double-counters or at least loosening the noose around the necks of schools hurt by the office's current calculation policies.

"I don't know how (the OCR) regards it, but it seems to me that they have received a fair amount of criticism by those who have been affected by this," Jorns said. "They are considering their actions at this point."

U.S. Rep. J. Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., is among the politicians in Washington putting the heat on the OCR to rethink its policies.

"I think it would be better to say that he's facilitating discussions," Jorns said. "Congressman Hastert has been very helpful, and we certainly have appreciated his interest."

And even if the OCR comes out fighting and refusing to soften its stance, look for Eastern to still be granted a time extension.

The two years between 1998 and 2000 could make a tremendous difference in the athletic department's ability to generate the revenue necessary to add additional sports for women.

If Eastern could find the money within the next five years to add two more sports for women (golf and bowling perhaps?) wrestling and men's swimming could be spared now.

Meanwhile, Jorns says, time is of the essence. If the two men's sports are to be reinstated for next year, that announcement must come quite soon. Recruiting and scheduling for 1995-96 teams have already been irreversibly hindered.

"It's already hurt us," Jorns said. "I do know that the clock is ticking, because if we're to make any change in our settlement, we need to do it as soon as possible."

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Stockton breaks assist record

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — John Stockton, wasting little time in setting the record and ending what was fast becoming an ordeal for him, became the NBA's career assist leader Wednesday night.

With a pass to Karl Malone, who scored from the left corner, the Utah Jazz guard set the record with 6:23 to go before halftime in a game against the Denver Nuggets.

The basket gave Stockton

his 9,922nd assist, putting him ahead of Magic Johnson. Stockton entered the game 11 assists shy of the mark, and he produced in less than one half the number of assists he usually gets in an entire game.

The game was stopped after the milestone assist, and crowd of some 20,000 at the Delta Center stood and cheered for several minutes. Stockton was awarded the game ball and the Jazz bench

emptied to congratulate him.

Stockton, who has grown weary of the hoopla surrounding the record and only begrudgingly speaks of it, tied the mark 1:02 earlier, slicing to the basket and passing to Tom Chambers for a 16-foot jumper.

His record performance came in his 860th pro game. Johnson set his assist total in 874 games from 1979 to 1992 with the Los Angeles Lakers.

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go from there. With Hastert pulling resources in Congress, I feel good," McCausland said.

If the OCR allows Eastern a time extension and the two programs are restored for next fall, McCausland said it will be nearly impossible to recruit new grapplers for next season.

"From a recruiting standpoint, the damage has been done," he said. "I'm not too worried about it. The guys are enthusiastic, and they want the opportunity to redo what we did in September."

Sophomore wrestler Chad Surles said he can't wait for today's afternoon rally in front of Old Main.

"We're not blaming Jorns for not putting together a better compliance plan," Surles said

of the rally. "It's not a rally to yell at Jorns. He can come and rally with us."

"The purpose of the rally is to show we're optimistic and get our word out," Surles added.

When Eastern submits its next Title IX plan to the OCR, attorney Bob Smith expects the proposal not to include cutting wrestling and men's swimming. Smith is the foster-father of Eastern wrestler Tim Fix.

Smith thinks Eastern would be "doing a disservice to its wrestlers and men's swimmers" if it came up with a new plan that still included eliminating those sports.

"The OCR has been receptive to a new plan," Smith said. "The whole essence of this process was to reinstate (the programs). That was the cornerstone of the plan. This is the closest we've now been to a breakthrough than ever before."

Sign

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Panthers' punting problem of last season, when kicker Steve Largent had some problems doubling as both the place kicker and punter.

Clark, a 6-foot-3, 325 pound offensive guard earned First Team All-American honors from the National Junior College Athletic Association. He prepped at Chicago Westinghouse High School.

Ferriera is a 5-foot-9 kick returner/wide receiver from Contra Costa (Calif.) Junior College.

Simpson is a 6-foot-3, 200 pound quarterback transfer from Division III Eureka College. He was named the Illini-Badger Conference's player of the year after completing 116 of 158 (73.4 percent) passes for 1988 yards, 25 touchdowns and just five interceptions.

Simpson's 225.0 passing efficiency rating broke the record in all three divisions.

Daniels, a 6-foot-4 inch, 190 pound receiver from Chicago Crane was an All-Section pick.

Larner, who played at

RECRUITING CLASS OF 1995				
Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	School
Solomon Burcy	WR	5-10	165	Proviso West
Lemont Clark	OG	6-3	325	Rock Valley CC
Chris Czarka	FB	6-3	225	College of Siskiyous
Maurice Daniels	WR	6-4	190	Crane H.S. (Chicago)
Shawn Denzer	P/KO	6-2	190	Boswell/Blinn CC (Tx)
Jinho Ferriera	WR	5-9	170	Contra Costa CC (Oakland)
Ryan Grubbs	WR	6-2	180	Harrison H.S. (Ohio)
Chad Larner	PK	5-10	175	Stephen-Decatur H.S.
Everett James	FB	6-0	220	Carbondale H.S.
Ben Russell	FB	6-1	210	Glenbard West H.S.
Chris Watson	DB	6-2	195	Leo H.S. (Chicago)
Mike Simpson	QB	6-3	200	Eureka College

Stephen Decatur High School, converted 97 of 106 PATs in his career.

Burcy is a 5-foot-10 receiver from Proviso West with impressive speed. Spoo hopes to make a kick returner out of him.

Fullbacks Chris Czarka, Everett James and Ben Russell will give the Panthers some size in the backfield.

Czarka (6-foot-3, 225 pounds) was the Golden Valley Conference's Offensive 'Player of the Year' while playing at the College of Siskiyous (Calif.).

James was an All-Seven fullback from Carbondale who rushed for 700 yards.

And the Panthers are pleased with bagging Russell, a 210-pound fullback from Glenbard West, who rushed for 720 yards with a 6.4 yard-per-carry average, and Watson, a defensive back from Chicago Leo.

"(Russell's) tough, an explosive running back, a fullback-type guy who's an excellent blocker," Spoo said. "(Watson's) got excellent speed, and nice size for a defensive back, sort of in the mold of Ray McElroy in terms of size."



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Wrestlers, swimmers not sunk yet

For the first time since September, talk finally has shifted to the positive regarding the fate of Eastern's wrestling and men's swimming teams.

Eastern President David Jorns, Athletic Director Bob McBee, university attorney Fred Heinrich and Co. have successfully swung the public-relations pendulum back in the school's favor with Jorns' indication Wednesday that the two teams still could be spared.

Within two weeks, Jorns expects definitive word from the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Civil Rights of whether the university will be granted additional time to draft alternative proposals to last fall's agreement with the OCR that included the elimination of the two teams.

Should that time extension be granted, Eastern will likely enter into a new agreement with the OCR that would spare wrestling and men's swimming and grant the university additional time beyond the agreed upon fall of 1998 to attain gender equity in its athletic department.

The year Jorns mentioned Wednesday was 2000, and that raises Title IX-related implications of potentially landmark proportions.

What could the university possibly do by 2000 that it could not accomplish by 1998? Jorns hopes that question is moot.

The actual salvation of wrestling and men's swimming at Eastern likely can be found amid much political wrangling and extensive lobbying currently taking place in Washington, D.C.

"I have a feeling a lot of this is tied into the politics in Washington," Jorns said. "I'm not sure we're aware of all that is going on."

Jorns and McBee, like many other university administrators across the country, have called the OCR's actions unreasonable and have said they often force the elimination of men's teams at schools that can't afford to add the OCR-ordered number of sports for women.

The contention Jorns and McBee long have made is that OCR policies pertaining to the calculation of football players and double-counters (athletes who participate in more than one sport) hurt Eastern significantly in the figuring of the

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Eleventh-hour reprieve?

2 eliminated sports still could be saved; Teams to rally today

By JOHN FERA
Staff writer

President David Jorns said Wednesday that Eastern has been granted a chance to drum up a new proposal to deal with Title IX compliance.

Jorns is still waiting to hear whether the Office of Civil Rights in Washington will give Eastern a time extension to com-

ply with gender equity. Although a time extension could lead to the reinstatement of the wrestling and men's swimming teams, Jorns made no guarantees.

Ultimately, Jorns hopes Eastern is granted a five-year extension to come into gender equity compliance in athletics.

"If we got five years, then that would be really positive for the swimmers and wrestlers," Jorns said. "I think (these athletes) have reasons to be perhaps slightly optimistic, but I don't think I have any indication that the OCR will change the decision. In a couple weeks we'll know."

Jorns said he plans to release a letter sometime today regarding Eastern's response to the OCR's offer to consider a

new Title IX proposal from Eastern.

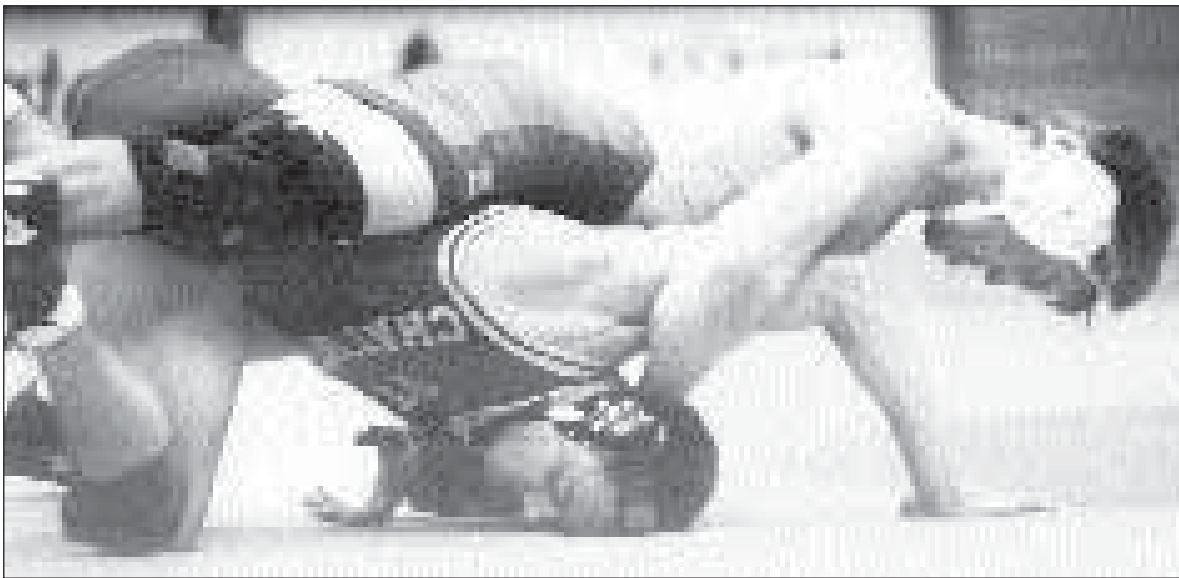
In addition, Eastern's wrestling and men's and women's swimming teams will stage a rally in front of Old Main at noon today in hopes of keeping the two sports alive next fall.

Wrestling coach Ralph McCausland said designated wrestlers and swimmers will speak about their respective teams to try to rally support from students, faculty and administrators.

Jorns and McCausland credited Congressman Denny Hastert, R-Batavia, for making Title IX a political issue at the nation's capital.

"We're hoping to get it reinstated, then

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JOHN COX/Staff photographer

Eat mat!

Eastern wrestler Pat Marsaglia (top) contorts the head of a University of Tennessee-Chatanooga wrestler into a submissive position during a meet earlier this season. The Panther grapplers will next be in action with a 7 p.m. meet Friday at Northern.

Panthers on road tonight

Hoopsters look for second win over OVC team

By PAUL DEMPSEY
Associate sports editor

Eastern's men's basketball team takes its show south tonight for a 7:30 p.m. contest against the Racers of the University of Tennessee-Martin.

This is the Panthers' last non-conference contest before finishing the season with nine straight conference games.

Tonight's matchup is the last part of a home-and-away series against the Racers of the Ohio Valley Conference, with Eastern winning the first game 75-52 on Dec. 3 in Lantz Gym for its first victory of the season.

The Panthers (9-9) held the Racers (4-14) to just 17 first-half points in that game, but head coach Rick Samuels said the Tennessee-Martin club his squad will face tonight is an improved team from two months ago.

"I think they have some players playing with better confidence than we saw earlier in the season," Samuels said. "(DeWayne) Powell, the point guard, is really playing well."

Powell is second on the team in scoring, averaging 14.8 points per game. He also leads the team in assists at 3.8 per game.

Also scoring in double figures for Tennessee are forwards Michael Hart (18.1 ppg) and DeMarko Wright (13.1 ppg).

One thing that stands out

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• The Panthers won 75-52 on Dec. 3 in Lantz Gym.

Inside the numbers

• The Racers are shooting a scalding 40.1 percent from three-point range.

Player to watch

• Panther forward Louis Jordan has scored at least 20 points in 3 straight games.

Team reaches double-digit win mark

In the 1990-91 Lady Panthers' basketball season, they finished 14-13. Four years in the cellar and a new coach later, all indications are that Eastern's program is back into the business of success.

After 17 games this year, and with nine left on the schedule before the Mid-Continent Conference Tournament on March 3, Eastern has already moved into the double-digit column in wins with a 10-7 overall record (5-4 in the Mid-Con).

Nothing exists to compare the 1990-91 squad under former coach Barbara Hilke and this year's young team led by coach John Klein,



rebound this year.

"This is a new season; every year is a new season," Polka said. "We're starting to win now,

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Panther grid team signs 12

By RANDY LISS
Sports editor

Since the Eastern football team ended its season last November, three areas of improvement have been in order for the Panthers: wide receivers, the offensive line and the kicking game.

So with the football signing period officially beginning Wednesday, coach Bob Spoo and his staff took great strides in filling those needs, signing 12 recruits to play football at Eastern next fall.

The 12 include receivers Solomon Burcy, Maurice Daniels and Ryan Grubbs, punter Shawn Denzer, offensive guard Lemont Clark, placekicker Chad Lerner, kick returner Jinho Ferreira, fullbacks Ben Russell, Chris Czarka and Everett James, defensive back Chris Watson and quarterback Mike Simpson had officially signed on at Eastern as of Wednesday evening.

"I think we were very good in delivering our needs," Spoo said. "When it's all said and done, I think we'll have strengthened our kicking game immensely as well as up front, on both sides of the ball."

Of the 12 signees, Grubbs appears to be the biggest catch. The 6-foot-2-inch senior from Harrison, Ohio, a suburb outside of Cincinnati, caught 70 passes for over 1,200 yards while receiving All-State honors this past fall.

"Any time you've got an all-stater, that's quite an honor," Spoo said. "He attended two of our games, and he just likes us. He got offers from a number of schools, including Youngstown State, but through it all he wanted to come to Eastern."

Spoo has also gotten a kick out of signing Denzer, a 6-foot-2-inch punter from Boswell/Blinn Community College in San Antonio who ranked second in the nation in junior college punting nationally with a 43.3 average.

Denzer should solve the

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Housing Guide

A supplement to the Daily Eastern News

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Students explain their methods choosing a good partner.

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7 Moving out

Most students who live off-campus reside in apartments. Here are some tips for apartment hunters.

You live here...

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Roommates...to be or not to be

Students tell of various ways to find a good match

By AMY DAVIS
Staff writer

With a variety of on and off-campus housing available, students should have no problem finding a place to call home.

From residence halls to houses, Eastern and the Charleston area offer many solutions for students' housing needs.

However, there is one thing that all student housing has in common: roommates.

Roommate selection can even be a harder decision than finding the perfect place to live.

Most students choose their roommates in one of two ways. Students can either choose their own roommates, especially if living off-campus, or those living on campus can fill out a survey that will match them up with a roommate.

Patty Martinez of the housing department said that Eastern students prefer to live on campus.

The surveys cover various aspects of a student's personal life, such as smoking, sleeping hours and study habits.

"We ask them how loud they play music, when they go to bed and if they

smoke," said Martinez.

"If students answer honestly, the results can be very helpful."

As a result of these surveys, students are placed according to their likes on "quiet floors" or non-smoking floors.

Janet Hougas, a junior elementary education major, has had a single room since her roommate moved out. She sees other girls in the dorm as her roommates.

"In the dorms, everyone is like a family or like enemies - there's no in-between. The dorms are okay," Hougas said. "But next year I'm moving to an apartment. Sometimes people are noisy here and it's hard to sleep."

For students with somewhat different types of roommates, University Apartments are designed for married students, graduate students or students with children.

Tarra Lael, a senior family services major, moved into the University Apartments because they are "economical and convenient."

If students are not satisfied with their roommates, after a ten-day waiting period at the beginning of each semester, students can change residence at any time throughout the semester.



JOHN COX/Staff photographer
Michelle Wright (left) and Jen Bolte met each other last year while living in Taylor North. The two are now sharing an apartment together.

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Apartment living... ...the hunt is on

By ANGELA HALFMAN
Staff writer

It's in the air, and renters and realtors alike prepare for its yearly arrival — apartment-hunting season.

Not only are students faced with the worrisome, odious task of apartment-hunting, apartment managers throughout Charleston brace themselves for the busiest part of the year.

Fran Rowles, manager of Lincolnwood-Pinetree apartments, which is located across from Carman Hall, said the season starts just before Christmas.

Andy Osbourn, newly-appointed manager of Park Place apartments located on Seventh Street across from the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union, was surprised at the rate at which his apartments were rented.

"I just started two weeks ago, and I have only two apartments left as of today," Osbourn said.

The rate at which apartments are rented depends on several factors. However, good location and low prices are the most appealing to students.

Rowles also notices these trends in student renting and finds students generally easy to please.

"Kids just love the idea of owning their own apartment," she said. "As long as the apartments are furnished, receive good upkeep, service and

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— Andy Osbourn
Apartment manager

affordable prices, students are happy."

Prices range anywhere from \$150 to \$260 each, depending on the number of students in each apartment.

"It's more expensive if the kids want to have their own bedroom. The more roommates you have, the less expensive it is," Rowles said.

Location, affordability and furnishings are the three key factors Osbourn noticed in this year's student apartment hunt.

"We don't have to deal with much competition because of our location," Osbourn said of Park Place apartments.

His three-bedroom apartments, which are the largest and accommodate up to six people, went first, and the average rent per student is \$150 to \$170 a month.

"Upkeep inside and out is also important to students," he added.

Laura Kramer, a junior sociology major at Eastern, displayed certain concerns in her apartment hunt, but for the most part, wasn't very picky.

"As long as there's no cockroaches, I'm happy," she said.

And unlike most stu-

dents, location and furnishing weren't important factors in her rental decision.

"I live in an unfurnished apartment in the square, so I can't say location really mattered to me," she said.

Price and size were the focus of her hunt.

As the season progresses, the number of available apartments dwindles, and managers urge students to look now.

"By spring break, everything is gone," Rowles said, "January is our busiest month."

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Court expands, receives face lift

Construction schedule working on time

By **ERIC BECKER**
Staff Writer

Greek Court's three new buildings, which are currently under construction, are slated to open on schedule in the fall of 1995, said Mark Shaklee, director of student housing.

The addition will house five sororities and one fraternity and is in its fourth phase of construction.

Two larger buildings being built will house Sigma Sigma Sigma and Sigma Kappa sororities. The smaller building will house Sigma Gamma Rho, Delta Sigma Theta and Zeta Phi Beta sororities and Phi Beta Sigma fraternity, all of which are affiliated with the Black Greek Council.

Shaklee said the structure of the houses will be similar to the existing buildings.

"One building is identical to the other buildings (in Greek Court) and will house two sororities," Shaklee said. "The other building is shaped like an 'X' and consists of four wings that will each house 12 students."

Cassandra Bryant, president of Sigma Gamma Rho sorority, said moving into the new facility will be a good opportunity for her sorority.

"It's a good idea because it will help create bonds



FILE PHOTO
Greek Court's expansion includes three new buildings, which will house five sororities and one fraternity. The project is expected to be finished by fall semester 1995.

between members of the sorority," Bryant said. "It will also be easier to meet together and hold functions."

Bryant said lack of a president's room is a disadvantage of moving.

"A problem from the other houses is that we're smaller, but I don't understand why we don't have a president's room."

Sarah Hoegger, president of Sigma Sigma Sigma, also said the move will benefit her sorority.

"We are very excited to be moving," Hoegger said.

"This is Phase IV (of the construction). As there became more interest, we built more houses."

— Mark Shaklee
director of student housing

"I think it will bring about a greek togetherness.

"It will be easier to hold certain meetings like chapter meetings," Hoegger said. "Instead of having 20 members, we can have 40 members now."

Hoegger said leaving the

tradition of the old house is the only drawback.

"We will leave behind the tradition and memories of the old house, but we are ready to begin a new era," Hoegger said.

Shaklee said the cost for the new houses will not dif-

fer from the older houses.

"It will be the same rate as other houses; the same rate structure is used," Shaklee said.

Shaklee said it took about a year to get the money allocated from refinanced bonds for construction, Shaklee said.

Shaklee said that interest from the greeks was a major reason that the houses were added.

"This is Phase IV (of the construction)," Shaklee said. "As there became more interest, we built more houses."

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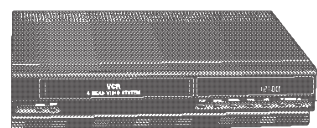
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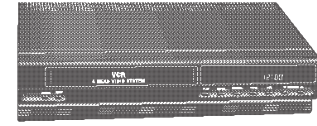
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Working hard for a living

Students find the ways and means to pay the rent

By CARRIE PETERS
Staff writer

Whoever said there is no such thing as a free lunch might as well have added no free housing.

For many students, finding a place to live during their college years and how to pay for it can be a problem.

Some students choose to live in dorms the university provides, while others choose off-campus apartments or houses. Often students can get their parents to help in paying the costs, but sometimes students must provide the money on their own.

Kelly McCormick, a freshman undeclared major living in Carman Hall, has the help of her father in paying for her place of living.

"My dad said it was easier for me to live in the dorm and easier for him to pay for it," McCormick said.

However, McCormick has some objections to dorm life.

"To be truthful, I really don't like it because I'm not used to living with someone

and it's an unfamiliar place," she said. "I would rather live in an apartment, but not with many people."

Prices for on-campus housing range from residence hall, to campus apartments.

Joy Castle, a housing administrator said the 1994-1995 school year cost per semester to live in any residence hall on campus was \$1,476 for the 11-meal plan, \$1,500 for the 14-meal plan, and \$1,533 for the 18-meal plan.

Prices for University Apartments, open to married students, graduate students, and students with children, range from \$254 per month for one-and-a-half room dwelling and \$273 per month for a two-room dwelling, Castle said.

Tracy Whalen, a graduate assistant for University Court Apartments said several varieties of apartments are available for students, all with varying prices.

The basic apartment, which can house up to four students, has a balcony and one bathroom, cost \$793 per

semester during the 1994-1995 school year. Prices are higher if less students live in apartment. Also, Whalen said if the apartment has a bathroom and a half, the cost for the semester is \$864.

The cost for these apartments are added to students' tuition.

Other students choose the comforts of home by finding off-campus houses available for students to rent.

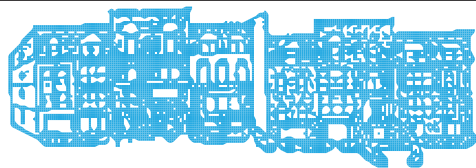
Douglas Ball, a junior pre-engineering major, chose the option of living in a house.

"It was the same cost as living in a dorm, but I could live in more comfort," Ball said.

Unfortunately, Ball said his parents are paying very little for his rent.

"I work during the summer to pay my bills, and rent cost isn't really a problem since I have saved money," he added.

"Prices of apartments or houses can run from \$150 to \$250 per person for rent," Charleston Realtor Jim Wood said.



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Residence halls provide students entertainment

By LISA KOENIG
Staff writer

Residence halls offer more than just communal living to students.

In the midst of sharing a bedroom, a bathroom, a phone and being overwhelmed with school-work, some halls offer programs to relieve stress and eliminate a few hours of homework.

Most of these programs are sponsored by the Residence Hall Association, the residence hall governing organization. Individual hall council also plan events. Money for these programs comes from fund raising and the student activity fee students living in the halls pay each semester.

Dana Wickenhouse, Andrews Hall Council president said no major events have been held this semester, but a Mr. Andrews contest is a possibility.

Roommate Week for Andrews Hall is scheduled for the week before Spring Break.

Jennifer Gettings, who is hall council President for Lawson Hall said several people come up with ideas for hall programming.

"Most of the ideas for programs come from brainstorming at executive board meetings," Gettings said.

Gettings added that Lawson recently held roommate week, which included such events as a pizza and movie night, pictures taken by a professional photographer, a

"You get a better turnout when food or sex is involved in the program."

— Nora Strong

Resident assistant, Carman Hall

door decorating contest and a Super Bowl party.

Future programs for Lawson Hall could include "The Price Is Right" and a bridal fashion show, Gettings said.

Nora Strong, a residence assistant at Carman Hall said because Carman is a freshman residence hall most of the hall's events are geared at everyone getting to know each other.

Strong said Carman has had such programs as a lecture on healthy eating while another night some residents were tucked in by a men's floor. The men were later treated to a spaghetti dinner.

"You get a better turnout when food or sex is involved in the program," Strong said.

Several residence halls present educational lectures for their residents. Thomas Hall for example presented a lecture on Alternative Spring Break work trips, during which Holly Walters from the Student Volunteer Center came and presented the different options to the students.

Daniel Fuss, a resident assistant in Douglas Hall, said students are most attracted to programs that are fun,

don't take a large time commitment, and residents can leave with they want to.

"You also get a better turnout when programs are convenient, co-ed and food or prizes are being offered," Fuss said.

Throughout the residence all activities have been planned for HIV/AIDS Awareness Week, which will continue through Feb. 4.

Also, the annual University Housing Night will be held Feb. 4 in Lantz Gymnasium. The event will feature free admission to all students from residence halls to and Eastern women's and men's basketball game. The women's game begins at 5:15 p.m. and the men's at 7:35 p.m.

A dance party will also be held from 9 p.m. to midnight in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. Prizes will be given away throughout the evening.

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Home sweet campus home

Students venture with their friends and rent own dwellings

By **MONICA SCHLITT**
Staff writer

While it is known for their affordability, residence halls are also infamous for their cramped lifestyle.

For students who are going crazy in the dorm rooms, many realtors around Charleston offer off-campus houses available for students to rent as an alternative to dorm life.

One realty office in Charleston, Century 21 Realty, offers approximately 18 homes in Charleston for students to rent. The sizes of the homes vary, as does the price, a clerk from the office said.

The average monthly payment for these homes is around \$150 to \$200 depending on the number of rooms and people living in a house.

For several students, the appeal of houses is that they are more spacious and offer more privacy. Houses also offer more freedom with fewer restrictions.

Though some landlords have policies for their tenants to follow, houses do not come with R.A.s concerned about the noise level, no enforced quiet hours and no specified dining times.

Through Century 21 as well as other realty offices, the process for students interested in one of these homes is four-fold.

To begin with the search for the perfect dwelling, students first contact a real estate agency. They will show several homes and then students must fill out an application. Once the application is approved a deposit must be dropped off and the lease signed.

Tara Burke, a senior speech communication major, said when she and her



FILE PHOTO
Students often opt to live in a house with about four to six of their friends. Price and location are some of the biggest factors students take into consideration when looking for a house.

roommates began looking for a house, price and location were their major concerns.

"Generally we were

looking for price and location," Burke said. "Then we needed something that was furnished."

Burke added that she chose to live in an off-campus house, or the privileges of space and being able to do her own cooking.

"I chose a house rather than an apartment because there's more space and you're not stuck in the same room all the time," Burke said. "With apartments, you're kind of limited and your neighbors are always there."

Burke said she had to go through a lengthy process in order to rent a house last year.

She said this year she had no problem getting the house she wanted.

"Our landlords also don't have a lot of rules," Burke

said. "Last year we couldn't have kegs or more than 16 people in the house."

With house living, Burke said some problems can arise.

"We've had problems with who cleans what when," she said. "You just have to set up rules ahead of time. That helps."

One student who lives in a house said it can take awhile to find the perfect house.

"I had to really look to find what I wanted," said Barbara Kingston, a junior Speech Communication major. "I wanted my privacy."

Erin Peterson, a senior dietetics major said she finds the house she shares with seven other people to be "more spacious" and very affordable.

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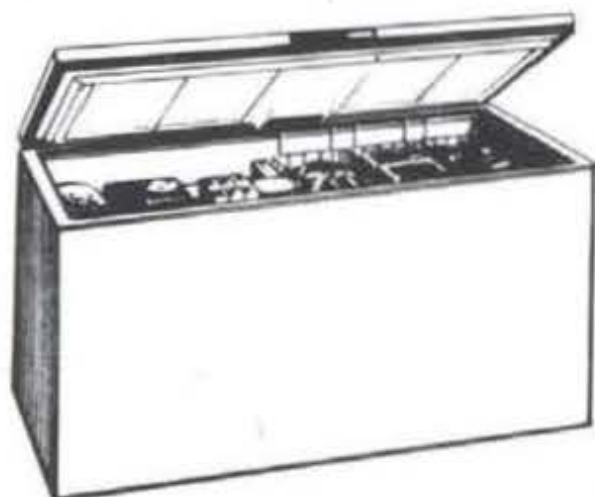
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